

ST. PAUL COAL  
BURNS HOUSES

All Efforts to Enter it Were Abandoned Early This Afternoon.

RELATIVES STILL HOPEFUL.

Practically Certain That Not One of The Entrapped Men Survives.

Cherry, Ill., Nov. 16.—Blazing more furiously than ever the fire in the St. Paul mine today was not checked as expected.

George F. Rice, of the United States geological survey, ascertained the temperature at the top of the shaft to be 135 degrees Fahrenheit. This indicated that the heat below was intense, and that it would be impossible to break the seal of the shaft for many hours.

The families of the nearly 300 entrapped miners must, therefore, wait at least another day before their agonizing suspense will be over.

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Patent extinguishers have been procured and as soon as the shaft can be opened the fight against the flames will be undertaken.

Further efforts to enter the St. Paul mine, where about 300 men are entrapped, were abandoned at 10 o'clock this afternoon.

George F. Rice, chief of the field work of the United States geological survey, announced this decision after an inspection of the mouth.

It was determined that the men here are still entrapped in the St. Paul coal mine as a result of last Saturday's disaster.

Despite the belief expressed by the state and government officials that there was little or no possibility of any of the men ever being brought to the surface alive, scores of grief-stricken wives gathered about the mouth of the burning shaft, which late yesterday had been closed down and sealed hermetically because of the renewal of fire in the interior.

Rumors that almost every man was dead, and that the women approached the shaft imploring for some glimmer of hope.

DON'T SAY THEY ARE DEAD.

There is still a chance, ain't there, 'n't they are dead for certain."

The mine officials, assisted by the state and government authorities, who had remained on the premises all night, began early to ascertain whether it would be practicable again to send miners down the shaft.

It was decided that if the fire had been sufficiently smothered by the closing of the mine during the night, descent would be possible and no time would be lost.

A supply of water was lowered from the shaft, and daylight is being poured into the pit.

At the same time a supply of fire-extinguishing chemicals was on hand.

Among them were chemicals intended for use in case of fire.

With the smoke drifting into the galleries of the mine for almost three days the men must certainly have perished, according to President McDonald, of district 12, United Mine Workers of America.

He declared also that the fire had burned out many of the timbers supporting the roof, and that the cave-in of the walls and roof of the passageways.

Without food but with an excess of clothing they must have groped their way through interminable passageways in darkness to reach water, if water could be found at all.

PLAN FOR CHARITY.

Organizations of charitable efforts for a meeting called for this morning.

SWINDLED MAN  
HAS HIS REVENGE

Newton A. Grabill Followed Man Who Played Confidence Game on Him, Thousands of Miles.

HIS BONES BURIED IN DESERT

When Victim of Swindler Returned Home Found His Creditors Were Settling Up His Estate.

Anderson, Ind., Nov. 16.—Knowing that the bones of the man who swindled him of \$3,500 lay bleaching in the sands of the southern California desert, Newton A. Grabill, a mill owner of Daleville, returned home today, after a 10,000 mile chase and found that his creditors, believing him dead, had petitioned the Delaware county court to wind up his estate. Grabill is 72 years old.

One day last June Grabill was approached at his mill by a man who he represented a brokerage firm in Chicago. The stranger had prospectuses of a gold mine in Colorado and persuaded Grabill that it would be a profitable investment for his savings.

Grabill gave the man \$3,500 in cash and made an appointment to meet him in Indianapolis and turn over the remainder of the amount he intended to invest.

At Indianapolis Grabill learned that he had been tricked. He took up the trail of the swindler. First it led to St. Louis and then to Denver. From that city the swindler was traced to a hotel in Chicago. The confidence man was followed by Grabill and the swindler was caught on the track and he doubled through the southwestern states.

At length the swindler crossed the border into Mexico, with which country he evidently was familiar. Grabill engaged a Mexican detective and the two followed the swindler into the California desert. The confidence man was followed by Grabill and the swindler was caught on the track and he doubled through the southwestern states.

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Prizes for the  
Christmas News

The Deseret News offers a cash prize of \$50.00 for the best story submitted for the Christmas issue to be printed Saturday, December 18th, 1909.

The story must not contain more than 8,500 words, or about seven columns, one page of Deseret News type.

A prize of \$25.00 cash, is also offered for the best Christmas poem submitted for the Christmas News. The poem to consist of not more than 1,200 words.

All manuscripts must be delivered to the News office not later than December 1st, 1909.

Stories and poems should be signed with an initial or non de plume, and accompanied by a sealed envelope containing the real name and address of the author. Those desiring manuscripts returned should enclose the necessary postage.

Address all contributions to THE DESERET NEWS Salt Lake City, Utah Christmas Contest Department.

SHIP BUILDING EMPLOYEES  
ARE TO BE ORGANIZED

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 16.—The American Federation of Labor at its convention here today went on record as favoring the organization of employees of the ship building industry along the Atlantic coast.

A resolution expressing dissatisfaction with the work of Organizer Arthur A. Hay, in southern California, and recommending his removal was referred to the executive council for investigation.

In connection with a resolution endorsing the strike of seamen on the Great Lakes and pledging the moral and financial support of the Federation to the strikers, was adopted.

Havelock Wilson, M. P., president and organizer of the Seamen's Union of Great Britain.

Mr. Wilson said that in three months in the port of New York he had organized more than 5,000 seamen on British ships and that he intended to visit the principal ports along the Atlantic coast, as far as it was possible to organize British seamen on this side of the Atlantic than in Great Britain.

He declared the fight of the union against the Shipping Federation of Great Britain was to be carried on "to the death."

The convention was urged to adopt the resolution by V. A. Olander of Chicago, general secretary of the Lake Seamen's union, and Andrew Furuseth of San Francisco, general secretary of the Pacific Coast Seamen's union.

The latter declared that when the fight of the seamen's union was finished "there would be very little left of the little that now existed of the merchant marine of the United States."

The strike of the Great Lakes has been in progress since April, 1908, and 9,000 men are involved. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

RUMORED CREEL WILL  
ENTER DIAZ CABINET

El Paso, Texas, Nov. 16.—The El Paso Herald today prints what it claims authentic information declaring that Enrique Creel will enter the Diaz cabinet in the near future.

The rumor is that Creel, who is now in the United States, is being urged by his friends to accept the position of minister of the interior.

COUNCIL OF NORTH  
AM. GRAIN EXCHANGES

Chicago, Nov. 16.—Announcement was made here today of the formation of the Council of North American Grain Exchanges under the presidency of S. P. Arnot of Chicago.

The council, made up of two representatives from each grain exchange, will work for standardization of inspection and a general improvement of the business of grain handling in all its branches.

MRS. HUNTER S. DRESDEN'S  
DEATH TO BE INVESTIGATED

LaPorte, Ind., Nov. 16.—Following the finding in Hudson lake today of the body of Mrs. Hunter S. Dresden, wife of the owner of the new Carlisle hotel, coroner Osborne began an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the drowning of the woman, who, a month ago, while in a boat with her husband, disappeared.

Dresden said the boat had upset and that she had been unable to save her husband, although he kept her above water for some time.

Battleship "Utah" Almost Ready

(Special to The News.)

Camden, N. J., Nov. 16.—The launching of the battleship Utah will occur some time next month from the yards of the New York Ship Building company, at Camden, N. J. The event is being watched with great interest all over the land, because the Utah will be one of the largest battleships in the world, if not the largest.

It is expected that a party of Utah people, headed by Governor Spry and his staff, will be present and some young lady from Utah will christen the magnificent boat.

BILLION DOLLAR  
TELEGRAPH TRUST

Control of Western Union Passes To the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

LONG STEP TOWARDS MERGER

Announcement Means a Great Increase In Present Capacity—Action Of Parent Concern.

New York, Nov. 16.—Control of the Western Union Telegraph company passed today to the American Telephone and Telegraph company and a long step was taken toward the merger of the telephone and the telegraph companies into a corporation with a capitalization of nearly one billion dollars.

Announcement of the acquisition of the Western Union Telegraph company by the American Telephone and Telegraph company came today from Boston.

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MURDERER EXECUTED.

Aberdeen, S. D., Nov. 16.—Emil Victor, a young man formerly of East Aurora, N. Y., was hanged here this morning for the murder on July 3, last, of four persons.

His victims were J. W. Christie, a grain buyer at the little town of Randolph, Brown county; Mrs. Christie, his wife; and two other persons.

Robbery prompted the murders.

LOSS OF HIS SON  
DRIVES FATHER TO SUICIDE

New York, Nov. 16.—Loss of his son and nine employees in the fire which destroyed his coal factory in Brooklyn last week is believed to have been the cause of the suicide today of Robert Morrison, head of the firm which conducted the establishment.

Mr. Morrison's body was found in the bath-room of his home, where he had turned on the gas and died of asphyxiation.

ILLINOIS MINING  
LAWS STRINGENT

Chicago, Nov. 16.—The laws of Illinois for the conduct of coal mining operations are more stringent than those of any other state in the Union, said John J. Sherick, a lawyer, who has made a study of the statutes of all states on the subject.

Mr. Sherick yesterday suggested that any remedy, legislative or otherwise, whereby such catastrophes as the "Cherry" horror could be averted in the future.

The provisions of our laws in this state are far more strict than those of Indiana, Pennsylvania, Missouri, or Ohio. Indeed, I might say, I think they are a little too much so. Still, the operators conform to them.

It is in cases of accident, however, to my experience in damage suits leading out of them, invariably been with the miner himself. You can make regulations for him, but you cannot make him obey them at all times. He grows reckless and wholly indifferent to danger.

TSCHAYKOVSKY'S TRIAL  
WILL BE PUBLIC ONE

New York, Nov. 16.—Joseph M. Price, vice chairman of the executive committee of the American Friends of Russian Freedom, has received a letter from Miss Barbara Tschaykovsky, in St. Petersburg, in which she states that her father, Nicholas Tschaykovsky, the revolutionary leader, is to be tried here by her father's government.

Through the appeal of the American organization, which Mr. Price represents, an ambassador, Riddle obtained from the Russian government a promise that this trial will be open and public and the revolutionary statesman's daughter has created much uncertainty here by her letter.

Mr. Price stated that Tschaykovsky has feared a trial behind closed doors more than anything else. Another appeal is being made by the American organization here today.

DYNAMITE EXPLODED  
IN CRETAN ASSEMBLY

Canea, Crete, Nov. 16.—A cylinder filled with dynamite cartridges was exploded in the hall of the chamber of deputies late last night. The building was unoccupied at the time and the damage was comparatively insignificant.

The outrage is attributed to the anarchists, whose object, it is supposed, was to break up a meeting which they expected the chamber would hold on the subject of a new government to replace the provisional administration.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSION  
GOVERNMENT SPREADING

Cincinnati, Ohio, Nov. 16.—The spread of municipal commission form of government has been rapid, according to an address by Clinton Rogers Woodruff, secretary of the National Municipal League, at the convention of that organization here today.

"After years and years of floundering between scandalous subversion to corporations on the one hand," he said, "ignorant or vicious or dishonest attacks upon them on the other, the progressive communities of the country have recently been coming to the inevitable conclusion that to get this business of the people run better, promptly and satisfactorily, it is necessary to entrust it to small and well paid commissions composed of competent men charged with due power and responsibility."

"There is one danger, however, which advocates of the commission must guard against—the feeling that it constitutes a surrender of all municipal rights in the hands of a few individuals. In the words of one of the principal proponents of the commission for government in Galveston, the commission form is all right, it is an important, an essential success, but no plan can be devised which is self-operative, or which will relieve the people from the responsibilities of self-government."

Mr. Woodruff said a conspicuous feature of the movement for the commission form was the impetus it had given to the agitation for the short ballot.

Mr. Woodruff asserted that some advocates of direct nominations had been disposed to consider the law as the beginning and end of their work, overlooking the fact that the direct primary was an opportunity, not a cure. The most that good laws can do is to make an outburst of the reaction, and elements to promote evil, and to advance the general welfare of the community.

LANDSOWNE WILL MOVE  
REJECTION OF BUDGET

London, Nov. 16.—In the house of lords today Lord Landsowne, leader of the opposition, gave the formal notice of the rejection of his intention to move for the rejection of the budget bill when it comes up next Monday.

His motion, he said, would be expressed thus: "That this house be not pressed in giving its consent to this bill until it has been submitted to the judgement of the country."

F. J. HENEY REAPPOINTED  
ASSISTANT TO ATTY.-GEN.

San Francisco, Nov. 16.—Francis J. Heney, who for the past three years has been prosecuting the San Francisco bribery-graft cases growing out of the disclosure of corruption in the Ruef-Schmitz administration in 1907, and who was defeated for district attorney at the recent municipal election, has been reappointed an assistant to the United States attorney-general and will leave for Portland this week to prosecute several of the Oregon land fraud cases in which he first became prominent. Mr. Heney stated last night that he expected to start north the latter part of this week, to conduct the trial

JAPANESE PARTY  
COMES TOMORROW

Honorary Commercial Commission of Japan Will Make Only a Short Stay.

ORGAN RECITAL IS PLANNED.

Program Being Printed in Japanese Characters as Souvenirs of The Occasion.

Salt Lake will have as its guests for just two hours Wednesday three scores and more members of the Honorary Commercial Commission of Japan, composing a body of perhaps the most representative business and professional subjects that have ever visited these shores.

The party will arrive in a special train over the Denver & Rio Grande railroad at 8 o'clock in the morning and will leave for Ogden and the west two hours later.

The event of their stay will be an organ recital given through the courtesy of the first presidency in the tabernacle immediately after their arrival. The local Japanese are very much enthused over the visit and have taken upon themselves the printing of the music program in Japanese characters. These will be given to the visitors as souvenirs of the occasion. Admission to the recital will be limited to members of the party and specially invited guests.

The visit of the distinguished visitors will have both a political and commercial aspect. Gov. Spry, Mayor Bransford, Secy. of State Tingey, W. J. Halloran, president of the Commercial club; Joseph E. Cairns, secretary of the Commercial club; H. G. Whitney, chairman of the Commercial club entertainment committee; Lester D. Freed, chairman of the Commercial club transportation committee, and E. D. Hashimoto, prominent in the local Japanese colony, form a committee for their reception.

The trip to the tabernacle will be made in automobiles, and after the services are concluded there will be a quick trip made about the city to various points of interest. The limited time which will be spent in Salt Lake precludes all attempts at making an elaborate program for the entertainment of the visitors.

Will H. Booth, president of the Los Angeles chamber of commerce, will arrive in Salt Lake today and will escort the party to the metropolis of southern California, in company with J. D. Lowman, president of the chamber of commerce of the Pacific coast.

PERSONNEL OF PARTY.

A complete list of names of those which make up the commission follows: Michio Doi, president Osaka Chamber of Commerce; Nagatake Fujio, director of Ceramic experiment station; Rinsuke Hara, contractor and builder, Tokyo; Ryuya Hara, president Kanagawa Prefecture Cotton Mill company; Genjiro Horikoshi, exporter, Tokyo; Tamenaka Ishibashi, member house of representatives; Morimatsu Ito, owner of dry goods store, Osaka; Genzo Iwawata, managing director Mitsui & Co., Tokyo; Yunosuke Iwanoto, broker, Osaka; Stock Exchange; Suyo Iwaya, literary editor Hakonkai Publishing company; T. Kadono, vice president, Yohmei of Commerce of Nagoya; Kinusoku Kamino, banker; Baron Naibukuro, professor Peers' school, Tokyo; Kunio Kake, member of the Japanese Imperial university, Tokyo; Tokunaga Masahide, cotton and silk merchant; Kojiro Matsumoto, assistant mayor of Osaka; Dr. Takao Minami, professor in Northwestern Imperial university; Tokogoro Nakashima, president Osaka Steamship company; Buyei Nakano, president of the National Chamber of Commerce; Katsuhiko Nakamura, director of Tokushima Chamber of Commerce; Heibei Sakaguchi, silk merchant, Osaka; Sakutaro Satake, president Tokei Electric Light company; Baron Shibusawa, president Dai Nippon Bank; A. Shido, director silk conditioning house, Osaka; K. Soda, banker; Shingoro Sakai, secretary Osaka Chamber of Commerce; Yamao Takatsuki, director Kanagawa Cotton Mill company, Tokyo; Kumefuro Taki, member house of representatives; Shingichi Tamura, exporter and importer, Kobe; Terakiro Takata, exporter, Tokyo Plant, Steel and Implement Company, Tokyo; Zumoto, proprietor of Japan Times; M. Nagai, acting consul general at San Francisco; T. Nunano, consul at Portland, Or.; T. Tanaka, consul at Seattle.

The party is in charge of the Japanese consul general, K. Midano, of New York.

EVERYONE CAN HELP.

Sale of Red Cross Stamps a Part of Campaign Against Tuberculosis.

The first supply of the Red Cross Christmas stamps has been received and they are on sale at the drug stores, book stores and dry goods stores of the city, and it is expected that the people of Salt Lake will buy them in liberal quantities for use as Christmas greetings on letters and packages sent to friends during November and December.

An effort will be made to have business houses, professional men, lodges and other organizations use the stamps on their outgoing mails, not only because the stamp is attractive and carries a hearty greeting, but for the better reason that the money from the sales goes into the Red Cross fund for the suppression of tuberculosis in Utah. Every stamp sold is a battle in the Red Cross warfare against the white plague in this state. During the 11 months of the year there have been 32 deaths of tuberculosis.

In all communities where they are known the Christmas stamp is very popular with men, women and children, and millions of them will go through the mails during the next month and half. The stamps sell at one cent each, which places them within the easy reach of every giver of a Christmas gift, and the use of the stamps will enrich the kindly sentiment which prevails everywhere at this season of the year. They will not carry mail, but every kind of mail will carry them.

ED CORRIGAN BANKRUPT.

Lexington, Ky., Nov. 16.—Edward Corrigan, the turf man, has filed in court at Lexington a petition for protection in bankruptcy. His assets are given at \$13,453 and liabilities at \$174,000. In his petition Corrigan says he has no real estate and has only a few notes as assets. The unsecured claims amount to \$191,946.